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Notes, Cautions, and Warnings

NOTE: A NOTE indicates important information that helps you make better use of your computer.

CAUTION: A CAUTION indicates either potential damage to hardware or loss of data and tells you how to avoid the problem.

MARNING: A WARNING indicates a potential for property damage, personal injury, or death.

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Setting Up Your Inspiron Mini 10v

This section provides information about setting up your Inspiron™ Mini 10v.

Before Setting Up Your Computer

When positioning your computer, ensure that you allow easy access to a power source, adequate ventilation, and a level surface to place your computer.

Restricting airflow around your Inspiron Mini 10v may cause it to overheat. To prevent overheating ensure that you leave at least 10.2 cm (4 inches) at the back of the computer and a minimum of 5.1 cm (2 inches) on all other sides. You should never place your computer in an enclosed space, such as a cabinet or drawer when it is powered on.

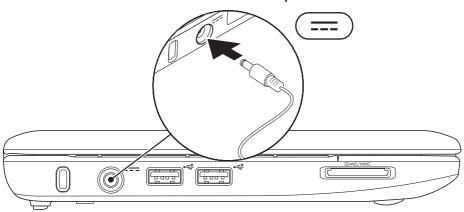
MARNING: Do not block, push objects into, or allow dust to accumulate in the air vents. Do not place your Dell™ computer in a low-airflow environment, such as a closed briefcase, while it is powered on. Restricting the airflow can damage the computer or cause a fire.

CAUTION: Placing or stacking heavy or sharp objects on the computer may result in permanent damage to the computer.

Connect the AC Adapter

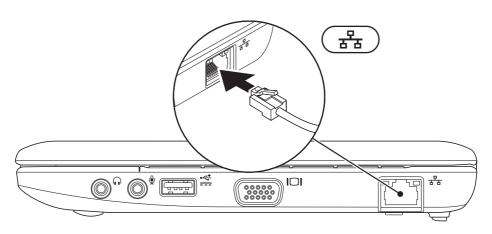
Connect the AC adapter to the computer and then plug it into a wall outlet or surge protector.

WARNING: The AC adapter works with electrical outlets worldwide. However, power connectors and power strips vary among countries. Using an incompatible cable or improperly connecting the cable to a power strip or electrical outlet may cause fire or permanent damage to your computer.

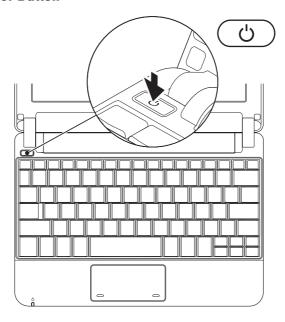


Connect the Network Cable (Optional)

To use a wired network connection, connect the network cable.



Press the Power Button



Set Up the Operating System

Your Dell computer is preconfigured with the operating system you selected at the time of purchase.

Microsoft Windows XP Setup

To set up Microsoft® Windows® for the first time, follow the instructions on the screen. These steps are mandatory and may take some time to complete. The Windows setup screens will take you through several procedures including accepting license agreements, setting preferences, and setting up an Internet connection.



CAUTION: Do not interrupt the operating system's setup process. Doing so may render your computer unusable and you will need to reinstall the operating system.

Ubuntu Setup

To setup Ubuntu® for the first time, follow the instructions on the screen. See the *Ubuntu Quick Start Guide* that shipped with your computer for more operating system specific information.

Enable or Disable Wireless (Optional)

To enable wireless:

- 1. Turn on your computer.
- 2. Double-click the cicon on the system tray or press <F2>.

The **Wireless Enable/Disable** dialog box appears.

- 3. Select the option(s) you want to enable:
 - Enable Bluetooth
 - Enable Wireless LAN
 - Enable Wireless WAN/GPS
- 4. Click OK.

To disable wireless:

1. Double-click the cicon on the system tray or press <F2>.

The Wireless Enable/Disable dialog box appears.

- 2. Clear the option(s) you want to disable:
 - Enable Bluetooth
 - Enable Wireless LAN
 - Enable Wireless WAN/GPS
- 3. Click OK.

Connect to the Internet (Optional)

NOTE: ISPs and ISP offerings vary by country.

To connect to the Internet, you need an external modem or network connection and an Internet service provider (ISP).

MOTE: If an external USB modem or WLAN adapter is not a part of your original order, you can purchase one from the Dell website at www.dell.com.

Setting Up a Wired Connection

- If you are using a dial-up connection, connect the telephone line to the external USB modem (optional) and to the telephone wall jack before you set up your Internet connection.
- If you are using a DSL or cable/satellite modem connection, contact your ISP or cellular telephone service for setup instructions.

To complete setting up your wired Internet connection, follow the instructions in "Setting Up Your Internet Connection" on page 12.

Setting Up a Wireless Connection

NOTE: To set up your wireless router, see the documentation that shipped with your router.

Before you can use your wireless Internet connection, you need to connect to your wireless router. To set up your connection to a wireless router:

- NOTE: The following steps were written for the Windows default view, so they may not apply if you set your Dell™ computer to the Windows Classic view.
- Save and close any open files, and exit any open programs.
- 2. Click Start → Control Panel.
- 3. Under Network and Internet Connections, select Wireless Network Setup Wizard.
- **4.** Follow the instructions on the screen to complete the setup.

Setting Up Your Internet Connection

NOTE: If you cannot connect to the Internet but have successfully connected in the past, the ISP might have a service outage. Contact your ISP to check the service status, or try connecting again later.

Have your ISP information ready. If you do not have an ISP, the **Connect to the Internet** wizard can help you get one.

- NOTE: The following steps were written for the Windows default view, so they may not apply if you set your Dell™ computer to the Windows Classic view.
- Save and close any open files, and exit any open programs.
- 2. Click Start→ Control Panel.
- 3. Under Network and Internet Connections, select Setup or Change Your Internet Connection.

- 4. Click **Setup**.
 The **New Connection Wizard** appears.
- 5. Click Connect to the Internet.
- 6. In the next window, click the appropriate option:
 - If you do not have an ISP, click
 Choose from a list of Internet service providers (ISPs).
 - If you have already obtained setup information from your ISP but you did not receive a setup CD, click Set up my connection manually.
 - If you have a setup CD, click Use the CDI got from an ISP.
- NOTE: Your computer does not have an internal optical drive. Use an external optical drive or any external storage device for the procedures that involve discs.

7. Click Next.

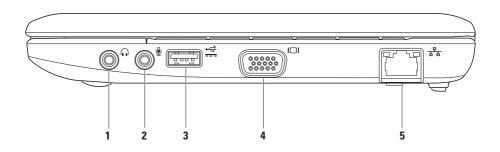
If you selected Set up my connection manually in step 6, continue to step 8. Otherwise, follow the instructions on the screen to complete the setup.

- **NOTE:** If you do not know which type of connection to select, contact your ISP.
- Click the appropriate option under How do you want to connect to the Internet?, and click Next.
- **9.** Use the setup information provided by your ISP to complete the setup.

Using Your Inspiron Mini 10v

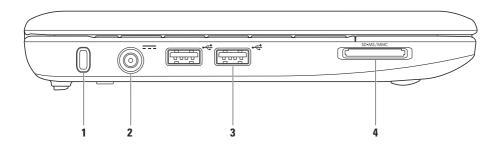
This section provides information about the features available on your Inspiron™ Mini 10v.

Right Side Features



- 1 Audio out/Headphone
 connector Connects to a pair of
 headphones or sends audio to a powered
 speaker or sound system.
- 2 Audio in/Microphone connector –
 Connects to a microphone or input signal for use with audio programs.
- Power USB connector Connects to USB devices that may require more power. This connector supports up to 2A current loading.
- 4 VGA connector Connects to a monitor or projector.
- 5 Network connector Connects your computer to a network or a broadband device if you are using a wired network.

Left Side Features

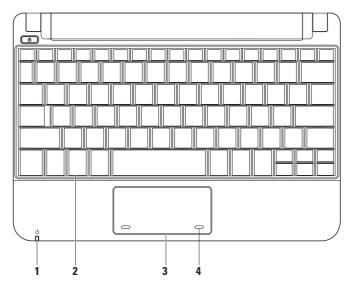


- Security cable slot Attaches a commercially available antitheft device to the computer.
 - **NOTE**: Before you buy an antitheft device, ensure that it works with the security cable slot on your computer.
- 2 AC adapter connector Connects to the AC adapter to power the computer and charge the battery.
- 3 USB 2.0 connectors (2) Connects to USB devices, such as a mouse, keyboard, printer, external drive, or MP3 player.

SD•MS/MMC

- **3-in-1 Media Card Reader** Provides a fast and convenient way to view and share digital photos, music, videos, and documents stored on the following digital media cards:
 - Secure Digital (SD) memory card
 - Secure Digital High Capacity (SDHC) card
 - Multimedia Card (MMC)
 - Memory Stick
 - Memory Stick PRO

Computer Base and Keyboard Features



1 Power/Battery indicator light –

Turns on steadily or blinks to indicate power/battery charge status. The light indicates the following states while charging or using the computer with: an AC adapter

- Solid white The computer is on and/or the battery is charging.
- Blinking white The computer is in standby mode.
- Off The computer is off or in hibernate mode.

a battery

- Solid white The computer is on.
- Blinking white The computer is in standby mode.
- Blinking amber The battery charge is low. Connect the AC adapter to charge the battery.
- Off The computer is off or in hibernate mode.

- 2 Keyboard Settings for this keyboard can be personalized by using the system setting utility.
- 3 Touch pad Provides the functionality of a mouse.
- 4 Touch pad buttons (2) Provides left- and right-click functions like those on a mouse.

Touch Pad Gestures

Scroll

Allows you to scroll through content. The scroll feature includes:

Traditional Scroll – Allows you to scroll up and down, or right and left.

To scroll up and down:



Move a finger up or down in the vertical scroll zone (extreme right of the touch pad) to scroll up or down on the active window.

To scroll right and left:



Move a finger right or left in the horizontal scroll zone (extreme bottom of the touch pad) to scroll right or left on the active window.

Circular Scroll – Allows you to scroll up and down, or right and left.

To scroll up and down:



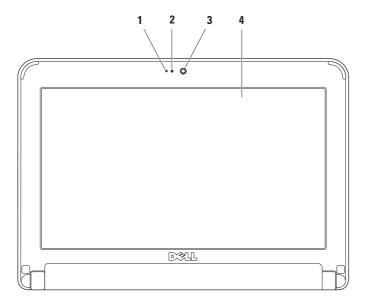
Move a finger in the vertical scroll zone (extreme right of the touch pad), in a clockwise circular motion to scroll up or counterclockwise circular motion to scroll down.

To scroll right and left:



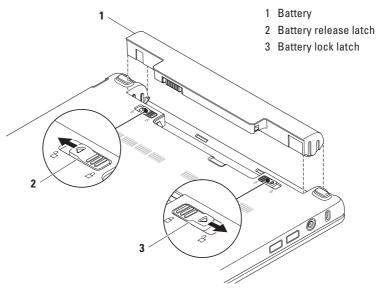
Move a finger in the horizontal scroll zone (extreme bottom of the touch pad), in a clockwise circular motion to scroll right or counterclockwise circular motion to scroll left.

Display Features



- Microphone Provides quality sound for audio chatting and voice recording.
- 2 Camera activity light Indicates if the camera is on or off.
- 3 Camera Built-in camera for video capture, conferencing, and chat.
- 4 Display Your display can vary based on selections you made when purchasing your computer. For more information about displays, see the Dell Technology Guide.

Removing and Replacing the Battery



MARNING: Using an incompatible battery may increase the risk of fire or explosion. This computer should only use a battery purchased from Dell. Do not use batteries from other computers.

MARNING: Before removing the battery, shut down the computer, and remove external cables (including the AC adapter).

To remove the battery:

- 1. Shut down the computer and turn it over.
- Slide the battery lock latch until it clicks into place.
- Slide the battery release latch to unlock position.
- 4. Lift the battery up and out of the battery bay.

To replace the battery:

- 1. Slide the battery into the bay until it clicks into place.
- **2.** Slide the battery lock latch to the lock position.

Software Features



NOTE: For more information about the features described in this section, see the *Dell Technology Guide* on your hard drive or on the Dell Support website at **support.dell.com/manuals**.

Productivity and Communication

You can use your computer to create presentations, brochures, greeting cards, fliers, and spreadsheets depending on the applications installed in your computer. Check your purchase order for software installed on your computer.

After connecting to the Internet, you can access websites, setup an e-mail account, upload and download files, and so on.

Entertainment and Multimedia

You can use your computer to watch videos, play games, listen to music and Internet radio stations.

Customizing the Desktop

You can customize your desktop to change the appearance, resolution, wallpaper, screensaver, and so on by accessing the **Display Properties** window

To access the display properties window:

- 1. Right-click an open area of the desktop.
- 2. Click **Properties**, to open the **Display Properties** window and learn more about your customization options.

Backing Up Your Data

It is recommended that you periodically back up files and folders on your computer. To back up files:

- 1. Click Start \rightarrow All Programs \rightarrow Accessories \rightarrow System Tools \rightarrow Backup.
- Follow the instructions in the Back up Files wizard.

Dell Dock

The Dell Dock is a group of icons that provides easy access to frequently-used applications, files, and folders. You can personalize the Dock by:

- Adding or removing icons
- Grouping related icons into categories

- Changing the color and location of the Dock
- Changing the behavior of the icons



Add a Category

- Right-click the Dock, click Add → Category.
 The Add/Edit Category window is displayed.
- 2. Enter a title for the category in the Title field.
- 3. Select an icon for the category from the **Select an image**: box.
- 4. Click Save.

Add an Icon

Drag and drop the icon to the Dock or a category.

Remove a Category or Icon

- 1. Right-click the category or icon on the Dock and click **Delete shortcut** or **Delete category**.
- 2. Follow the instructions on the screen.

Personalize the Dock

- 1. Right-click the Dock and click **Advanced**Setting....
- Choose the desired option to personalize the Dock.

Solving Problems

MARNING: Only trained service personnel should remove the computer cover. See the Service Manual on the Dell Support website at support.dell.com/manuals for advanced service and troubleshooting instructions.

Network Problems

Wireless Connections

If the wireless network connection is lost —

The wireless router is offline or wireless has been disabled on the computer.

 Check your wireless router to ensure it is powered on and connected to your data source (cable modem or network hub).

- Ensure that the wireless is enabled on your computer (see "Enable or Disable Wireless" on page 10).
- Interference may be blocking or interrupting your wireless connection. Try moving the computer closer to your wireless router.

Wired Connections

If the network connection is lost —

- Check the cable to ensure it is plugged in and not damaged.
- . Check the status of the link integrity light.

The link integrity light on the integrated network connector lets you verify that your connection is working and provides information on the status:

- Green A good connection exists between a 10-Mbps network and the computer.
- Orange A good connection exists between a 100-Mbps network and the computer.
- Off The computer is not detecting a physical connection to the network.
- NOTE: The link integrity light on the network connector is only for the wired network connection. The link integrity light does not provide status for wireless connections.

Power Problems

If the power light is off — The computer is either turned off or is not receiving power.

- If the computer is plugged into a power strip, ensure that the power strip is plugged into an electrical outlet and that the power strip is turned on. Also bypass power protection devices, power strips, and power extension cables to verify that the computer turns on properly.
- Ensure that the electrical outlet is working by testing it with another device, such as a lamp.
- Check the AC adapter cable connections.
 If the AC adapter has a light, ensure that the light on the AC adapter is on.

If the power light is solid white and the computer is not responding — The display may not be responding. Press the power button until the computer turns off and then turn it back on.

If the power light is blinking white — The computer is in standby mode. Press a key on the keyboard, move the pointer using the touch pad or a connected mouse, or press the power button to resume normal operation.

If the power light is blinking amber — A device might be malfunctioning or the battery charge is low.

- If the computer is receiving electrical power, then a device might be malfunctioning or incorrectly installed.
- If the battery charge is low, connect the computer to the AC adapter.

If you encounter interference that hinders reception on your computer — An unwanted signal is creating interference by interrupting or blocking other signals. Some possible causes of interference are:

- Power, keyboard, and mouse extension cables.
- Too many devices connected to a power strip.
- Multiple power strips connected to the same electrical outlet.

Memory Problems

If you receive an insufficient memory message —

- Save and close any open files and exit any open programs you are not using to see if that resolves the problem.
- See the software documentation for minimum memory requirements.

If you experience other memory problems —

- Ensure that you are following the memory installation guidelines (see the Service Manual on the Dell Support website at support.dell.com/manuals).
- Run the Dell Diagnostics (see "Dell Diagnostics" on page 37).

Lockups and Software Problems

If the computer does not start up — Ensure that the power cable is firmly connected to the computer and to the electrical outlet.

If a program stops responding — End the program:

- 1. Press <Ctrl><Shift><Esc> simultaneously.
- 2. Click Applications.
- Click the program that is no longer responding
- 4. Click End Task.

If a program crashes repeatedly — Check the software documentation. If necessary, uninstall and then reinstall the program.

- NOTE: Software usually includes installation instructions in its documentation or on the disc (CD or DVD).
- NOTE: Your computer does not have an internal optical drive. Use an external optical drive or any external storage device for the procedures that involve discs.

If the computer stops responding or a solid blue screen appears —

CAUTION: You might lose data if you are unable to perform an operating system shutdown

If you are unable to get a response by pressing a key on your keyboard or moving your mouse, press the power button for at least 8 to 10 seconds until the computer turns off and then restart your computer.

If a program is designed for an earlier Microsoft® Windows® operating system —

Run the Program Compatibility Wizard. The Program Compatibility Wizard configures a program so that it runs in an environment similar to non-XP operating system environments.

- Click Start → All Programs → Accessories → Program Compatibility Wizard.
- 2. In the welcome screen, click Next.
- 3. Follow the instructions on the screen.

If you have other software problems —

- · Back up your files immediately.
- Use a virus-scanning program to check the hard drive or CDs.
- Save and close any open files or programs and shut down your computer through the Start menu.
- Check the software documentation or contact the software manufacturer for troubleshooting information:
 - Ensure that the program is compatible with the operating system installed on your computer.
 - Ensure that your computer meets the minimum hardware requirements needed to run the software. See the software documentation for information.
 - Ensure that the program is installed and configured properly.

- Verify that the device drivers do not conflict with the program.
- If necessary, uninstall and then reinstall the program.
- Write down any error message that is displayed to help in troubleshooting when Contacting Dell.

Using Support Tools

Dell Support Center

The **Dell Support Center** helps you find the service, support, and system-specific information you need.

To launch the application, click the icon in the taskbar.

The **Dell Support Center** home page displays your computer's model number, service tag, express service code, and service contact information.

The home page also provides links to access:



Self Help (Troubleshooting, Security, System Performance, Network/Internet, Backup/ Recovery, and Windows operating system)



Alerts (technical support alerts relevant to your computer)



Assistance from Dell (Technical Support with DellConnect™, Customer Service, Training and Tutorials, How-To Help with Dell on Call, and Online Scan with PC CheckUp)



About Your System (System Documentation, Warranty Information, System Information, Upgrades & Accessories)

For more information about **Dell Support Center** and available support tools, click the **Services** tab at **support.dell.com**.

System Messages

If your computer has an issue or error, it may display a System Message that will help you identify the cause and action needed to resolve the issue.

NOTE: If the message you received is not listed in the following examples, see the documentation for either the operating system or the program that was running when the message appeared. Alternatively see the Dell Technology Guide on your hard drive or the Dell Support website at support.dell.com/manuals.

Alert! Previous attempts at booting this system have failed at checkpoint [nnnn]. For help in resolving this problem, please note this checkpoint and contact Dell Technical Support — The computer failed to complete the boot routine three consecutive times for the same error (see "Contacting Dell" on page 53 for assistance).

CMOS checksum error — Possible motherboard failure or RTC battery low. Replace the battery. (see the *Dell Technology Guide* on your hard drive or the Dell Support website at **support.dell.com/manuals** or see "Contacting Dell" on page 53 for assistance).

Hard-disk drive (HDD) failure — Possible hard disk drive failure during POST (see "Contacting Dell" on page 53 for assistance).

Hard-disk drive (HDD) read failure — Possible hard disk drive failure during HDD boot test (see "Contacting Dell" on page 53 for assistance).

Keyboard failure — Keyboard failure or loose cable.

No boot device available — No bootable partition on hard drive, the hard drive connector is loose, or no bootable device exists.

 If the hard drive is your boot device, ensure that the connector is connected and that the drive is installed properly and partitioned as a boot device.

Using Support Tools

 Enter system setup and ensure that the boot sequence information is correct (see the *Dell Technology Guide* on your hard drive or the Dell Support website at support.dell.com/manuals).

No timer tick interrupt — A chip on the system board might be malfunctioning or motherboard failure (see "Contacting Dell" on page 53 for assistance).

USB over current error — Disconnect the USB device. Your USB device needs more power for it to function properly. Use an external power source to connect the USB device, or if your device has two USB cables, connect both of them.

NOTICE - Hard Drive SELF MONITORING SYSTEM has reported that a parameter has exceeded its normal operating range. Dell recommends that you back up your data regularly. A parameter out of range may or may not indicate a potential hard drive problem — S.M.A.R.T error, possible hard drive failure (see "Contacting Dell" on page 53 for assistance).

Hardware Troubleshooter

If a device is either not detected during the operating system setup or is detected but incorrectly configured, you can use the **Hardware Troubleshooter** to resolve the incompatibility.

To start the Hardware Troubleshooter:

- 1. Click Start→ Help and Support.
- Type hardware troubleshooter in the search field and press <Enter> to start the search.
- In the search results, select the option that best describes the problem and follow the remaining troubleshooting steps.

Dell Diagnostics

If you experience a problem with your computer, perform the checks in "Lockups and Software Problems" on page 32 and run the Dell Diagnostics before you contact Dell for technical assistance.

It is recommended that you print these procedures before you begin.

- **NOTE:** Dell Diagnostics works only on Dell computers.
- **NOTE:** The *Drivers and Utilities* disc is optional and may not ship with your computer.

See the System Setup section in the Service Manual to review your computer's configuration information, and ensure that the device that you want to test displays in the system setup program and is active.

Start the Dell Diagnostics from your hard drive or from the *Drivers and Utilities* disc.

Starting Dell Diagnostics From Your Hard Drive

The Dell Diagnostics is located on a hidden diagnostic utility partition on your hard drive.

- NOTE: If your computer cannot display a screen image, contact Dell (see "Contacting Dell" on page 53).
- Ensure that the computer is connected to an electrical outlet that is known to be working properly.
- 2. Turn on (or restart) your computer.
- When the DELL[™] logo appears, press <F12> immediately. Select Diagnostics from the boot menu and press <Enter>.
- NOTE: If you wait too long and the operating system logo appears, continue to wait until you see the Microsoft® Windows® desktop; then, shut down your computer and try again.

Using Support Tools

NOTE: If you see a message stating that no diagnostics utility partition has been found, run the Dell Diagnostics from the *Drivers* and *Utilities* disc.

If Pre-boot System Assessment (PSA) is invoked:

- a. The PSA starts running tests.
- b. If the PSA completes successfully, the following message is displayed:

"No problems have been found with this system so far. Do you want to run the remaining memory tests? This will take about 30 minutes or more. Do you want to continue? (Recommended)."

- c. If you are experiencing memory issues press <y>, otherwise press <n>. The following message is displayed: "Booting Dell Diagnostic Utility Partition. Press any key to continue."
- d. Press any key to go to the Choose An Option window.

If PSA is not invoked:

Press any key to start the Dell Diagnostics from the diagnostics utility partition on your hard drive and go to the **Choose An Option** window.

4. Select the test you want to run.

- 5. If a problem is encountered during a test, a message appears with an error code and a description of the problem. Write down the error code and problem description and contact Dell (see "Contacting Dell" on page 53).
- **NOTE:** The Service Tag for your computer is located at the top of each test screen. If you contact Dell, technical support will ask for your Service Tag.
- When the tests are complete, close the test screen to return to the Choose An Option window.

To exit the Dell Diagnostics and to restart the computer, click **Exit**.

Starting Dell Diagnostics From the Drivers and Utilities Disc

- 1. Insert the Drivers and Utilities disc.
- Shut down and restart the computer. When the DELL logo appears, press <F12> immediately.
- NOTE: If you wait too long and the operating system logo appears, continue to wait until you see the Microsoft® Windows® desktop; then, shut down your computer and try again.
- NOTE: The next steps change the boot sequence for one time only. On the next start-up, the computer boots according to the devices specified in the system setup program.

Using Support Tools

- 3. When the boot device list appears, highlight CD/DVD/CD-RW and press <Enter>.
- Select the Boot from CD-ROM option from the menu that appears and press <Enter>.
- **5.** Type 1 to start the CD menu and press <Enter> to proceed.
- Select Run the 32 Bit Dell Diagnostics from the numbered list. If multiple versions are listed, select the version appropriate for your computer.
- 7. Select the test you want to run.
- 8. If a problem is encountered during a test, a message appears with an error code and a description of the problem. Write down the error code and problem description and contact Dell (see "Contacting Dell" on page 53).

- NOTE: The Service Tag for your computer is located at the top of each test screen. If you contact Dell, technical support will ask for your Service Tag.
- When the tests are complete, close the test screen to return to the Choose An Option window. To exit the Dell Diagnostics and restart the computer, click Exit.
- 10. Remove the Drivers and Utilities disc.

Restoring Your Operating System

You can restore your operating system in the following ways:

- System Restore returns your computer to an earlier operating state without affecting data files. Use System Restore as the first solution for restoring your operating system and preserving data files.
- Dell Factory Image Restore returns your hard drive to the operating state it was in when you purchased the computer. This procedure permanently deletes all data on the hard drive and removes any programs installed after you received the computer. Use Dell Factory Image Restore only if System Restore did not resolve your operating system problem.
- If you received an Operating System disc with your computer, you can use it to restore your operating system. However, using the Operating System disc also deletes all data on the hard drive. Use the disc only if System Restore did not resolve your operating system problem.

System Restore

The Windows operating systems provide a System Restore option which allows you to return your computer to an earlier operating state (without affecting data files) if changes to the hardware, software, or other system settings have left the computer in an undesirable operating state. Any changes that System Restore makes to your computer are completely reversible.

- CAUTION: Make regular backups of your data files. System Restore does not monitor your data files or recover them.
- NOTE: The procedures in this document were written for the Windows default view, so they may not apply if you set your Dell™ computer to the Windows Classic view.

Starting System Restore

- Click Start → All Programs → Accessories →
 System Tools → System Restore.
- 2. In the welcome screen, click Next.
- 3. Follow the instructions on the screen.

Undoing the Last System Restore

- NOTE: Before you undo the last system restore, save and close all open files and exit any open programs. Do not alter, open, or delete any files or programs until the system restoration is complete.
- 1. Click Start \rightarrow All Programs \rightarrow Accessories \rightarrow System Tools \rightarrow System Restore.
- 2. In the welcome screen, click **Undo my last** restoration and then click **Next**.
- 3. Follow the instructions on the screen.

Using Dell PC Restore

CAUTION: Using Dell PC Restore

permanently deletes all data on the hard drive and removes any programs or drivers installed after you received your computer. If possible, back up the data before using this option. Use PC Restore only if System Restore did not resolve your operating system problem.

NOTE: Dell PC Restore by Symantec and Dell Factory Image Restore may not be available in certain countries or on certain computers.

Use Dell PC Restore only as the last method to restore your operating system. These options restore your hard drive to the operating state it was in when you purchased the computer. Any programs or files added since you received your computer—including data files—are permanently deleted from the hard drive. Data files include documents, spreadsheets, e-mail messages, digital photos, music files, and so on. If possible, back up all data before using PC Restore

Restoring Your Operating System

To perform PC Restore:

1. Turn on the computer.

During the boot process, a blue bar with **www.dell.com** appears at the top of the screen.

 Immediately upon seeing the blue bar, press <Ctrl><F11>. If you wait too long and the operating system logo appears, continue to wait until you see the Microsoft® Windows® desktop; then, shut down your computer and try again.

CAUTION: If you do not want to proceed with PC Restore, click Reboot.

3. Click Restore and click Confirm.

The restore process takes approximately 6 to 10 minutes to complete.

- **4.** When prompted, click **Finish** to reboot the computer.
- NOTE: Do not manually shut down the computer. Click **Finish** and let the computer completely reboot.
- 5. When prompted, click Yes.

The computer restarts. Because the computer is restored to its original operating state, the screens that appear, such as the End User License Agreement, are the same ones that appeared the first time the computer was turned on.

6. Click Next.

The System Restore screen appears and the computer restarts.

After the computer restarts, click **OK**.

Operating System Reinstallation Before You Begin

If you are considering reinstalling the Windows operating system to correct a problem with a newly installed driver, first try using Windows Device Driver Rollback, If Device Driver Rollback does not resolve the problem, then use System Restore to return your operating system to the operating state it was in before you installed the new device driver. See "System Restore" on page 42.

 CAUTION: Before performing the installation, back up all data files on your primary hard drive. For conventional hard drive configurations, the primary hard drive is the first drive detected by the computer.

To reinstall Windows, you need the following items:

- Dell Operating System disc
- Dell Drivers and Utilities disc



NOTE: The Dell *Drivers and Utilities* disc contains drivers that were installed during the assembly of the computer. Use the Dell Drivers and Utilities disc to load any required drivers. Depending on the region from which you ordered your computer, or whether you requested the disc, the Dell Drivers and Utilities disc and Operating System disc may not ship with your computer.

Restoring Your Operating System

Reinstalling Windows

The reinstallation process can take 1 to 2 hours to complete. After you reinstall the operating system, you must also reinstall the device drivers, virus protection program, and other software.

- **NOTE:** Your computer does not have an internal optical drive. Use an external optical drive or any external storage device for the procedures that involve discs.
- 1. Save and close any open files and exit any open programs.
- 2. Insert the Operating System disc.
- Click Exit if the Install Windows message appears.
- 4. Restart the computer.

- When the DELL logo appears, press <F2> immediately.
- NOTE: If you wait too long and the operating system logo appears, continue to wait until you see the Microsoft® Windows® desktop; then, shut down your computer and try again.
- NOTE: The next steps change the boot sequence for one time only. On the next start-up, the computer boots according to the devices specified in the system setup program.
- 6. When the boot device list appears, highlight CD/DVD/CD-RW Drive and press <Enter>.
- Press any key to Boot from CD-ROM. Follow the instructions on the screen to complete the installation.

Getting Help

If you experience a problem with your computer, you can complete the following steps to diagnose and troubleshoot the problem:

- See "Solving Problems" on page 28 for information and procedures that pertain to the problem your computer is experiencing.
- 2. See "Dell Diagnostics" on page 37 for procedures on how to run Dell Diagnostics.
- Fill out the "Diagnostic Checklist" on page 52.
- 4. Use Dell's extensive suite of online services available at Dell Support (support.dell.com) for help with installation and troubleshooting procedures. See "Online Services" on page 48 for a more extensive list of Dell Support online.
- If the preceding steps have not resolved the problem, see "Before You Call" on page 51 and then "Contacting Dell" on page 53.

- NOTE: Call Dell Support from a telephone near or at the computer so that the support staff can assist you with any necessary procedures.
- **NOTE**: Dell's Express Service Code system may not be available in all countries.

When prompted by Dell's automated telephone system, enter your Express Service Code to route the call directly to the proper support personnel. If you do not have an Express Service Code, open the Dell Accessories folder, double-click the Express Service Code icon, and follow the directions.

NOTE: Some of the services mentioned below are not always available in all locations outside the continental U.S. Call your local Dell representative for information on availability.

Technical Support and Customer Service

Dell's support service is available to answer your questions about Dell hardware. Our support staff use computer-based diagnostics to provide fast, accurate answers.

To contact Dell's support service, see "Before You Call" on page 51 and then see the contact information for your region or go to **support.dell.com**.

DellConnect

DellConnect™ is a simple online access tool that allows a Dell service and support associate to access your computer through a broadband connection, diagnose your problem and repair it all under your supervision. For more information, go to www.dell.com/dellconnect.

Online Services

You can learn about Dell products and services on the following websites:

- www.dell.com
- www.dell.com/ap (Asian/Pacific countries only)
- www.dell.com/jp (Japan only)
- www.euro.dell.com (Europe only)
- www.dell.com/la (Latin American and Caribbean countries)
- www.dell.ca (Canada only)

You can access Dell Support through the following websites and e-mail addresses:

Dell Support websites

- support.dell.com
- support.jp.dell.com (Japan only)
- support.euro.dell.com (Europe only)

Dell Support e-mail addresses

- mobile support@us.dell.com
- support@us.dell.com
- la-techsupport@dell.com (Latin America and Caribbean countries only)
- apsupport@dell.com (Asian/Pacific countries only)

Dell Marketing and Sales e-mail addresses

- apmarketing@dell.com (Asian/Pacific countries only)
- sales_canada@dell.com (Canada only)

Anonymous file transfer protocol (FTP)

• ftp.dell.com

Log in as user: anonymous, and use your e-mail address as your password.

Automated Order-Status Service

To check on the status of any Dell products that you have ordered, you can go to

support.dell.com, or you can call the automated order-status service. A recording prompts you for the information needed to locate and report on your order. For the telephone number to call your region, see "Contacting Dell" on page 53 for problems with your order.

If you have a problem with your order, such as missing parts, wrong parts, or incorrect billing, contact Dell for customer assistance. Have your invoice or packing slip handy when you call. For the telephone number to call for your region, see "Contacting Dell" on page 53

Product Information

If you need information about additional products available from Dell, or if you would like to place an order, visit the Dell website at **www.dell.com**. For the telephone number to call for your region or to speak to a sales specialist, see "Contacting Dell" on page 53.

Returning Items for Repair Under Warranty or for Credit

Prepare all items being returned, whether for repair or credit, as follows:

- Call Dell to obtain the procedures on returning the items for repair under warranty or for credit.
 - For the telephone number to call for your region, see "Contacting Dell" on page 53.
- Include a copy of the invoice and a letter describing the reason for the return.

- Include a copy of the Diagnostics Checklist (see "Diagnostics Checklist" on page 52), indicating the tests that you have run and any error messages reported by the Dell Diagnostics (see "Dell Diagnostics" on page 37).
- Include any accessories that belong with the item(s) being returned (power cables, software, guides, and so on) if the return is for credit.
- 5. Pack the equipment to be returned in the original (or equivalent) packing materials.
- NOTE: You are responsible for paying shipping expenses. You are also responsible for insuring any product returned, and you assume the risk of loss during shipment to Dell. Collect On Delivery (C.O.D.) packages are not accepted.
- NOTE: Returns that are missing any of the preceding requirements will be refused at Dell's receiving dock and returned to you.

Before You Call



NOTE: Have your Express Service Code ready when you call. The code helps Dell's automated-support telephone system direct your call more efficiently. You may also be asked for your Service Tag (located on the back or bottom of your computer).

Remember to fill out the following Diagnostics Checklist. If possible, turn on your computer before you call Dell for assistance and call from a telephone at or near the computer. You may be asked to type some commands at the keyboard, relay detailed information during operations, or try other troubleshooting steps possible only at the computer itself. Ensure that the computer documentation is available.

Getting Help

Diagnostic Checklist

- Name:
- Date:
- Address:
- · Phone number:
- Service Tag (bar code on the back or bottom of the computer):
- Express Service Code:
- Return Material Authorization Number (if provided by Dell support technician):
- Operating system and version:
- Devices:
- Expansion cards:
- Are you connected to a network? Yes/No
- Network, version, and network adapter:
- Programs and versions:

See your operating system documentation to determine the contents of the computer's start-up files. If the computer is connected to a printer, print each file. Otherwise, record the contents of each file before calling Dell.

- Error message, beep code, or diagnostic code:
- Description of problem and troubleshooting procedures you performed:

Contacting Dell

For customers in the United States, call 800-WWW-DELL (800-999-3355).

NOTE: If you do not have an active Internet connection, you can find contact information on your purchase invoice,

packing slip, bill, or Dell product catalog.

Dell provides several online and telephonebased support and service options. Availability varies by country and product, and some services may not be available in your area. To contact Dell for sales, technical support, or customer service issues:

- Visit support.dell.com.
- Verify your country or region in the Choose A Country/Region drop-down menu at the bottom of the page.
- 3. Click Contact Us on the left side of the page.
- **4.** Select the appropriate service or support link based on your need.
- **5.** Choose the method of contacting Dell that is convenient for you.

Finding More Information and Resources

If you need to:	See:
reinstall your operating system.	the Operating System disc.
run a diagnostic program for your computer, reinstall notebook system software, or update drivers for your computer, and readme files.	the <i>Drivers and Utilities</i> disc. ■ NOTE: Drivers and documentation updates can be found on the Dell™ Support website at support.dell.com.
learn more about your operating system, maintaining peripherals, RAID, Internet, Bluetooth®, networking, and e-mail.	the <i>Dell Technology Guide</i> installed on your hard drive.
upgrade your computer with new or additional memory, or a new hard drive.	the Service Manual on the Dell Support website at support.dell.com/manuals
reinstall or replace a worn or defective part.	NOTE: In some countries, opening and replacing parts of your computer may void your warranty. Check your warranty and return policies before working inside your computer.

If you need to:	See:
find safety best practices information for your computer. review Warranty information, Terms and Conditions (U.S. only), Safety instructions, Regulatory information, Ergonomics information, and End User License Agreement.	the safety and regulatory documents that shipped with your computer and also see the Regulatory Compliance Homepage at www.dell.com/regulatory_compliance.
find your Service Tag/Express Service Code — You must use the service tag to identify your computer on support.dell.com or to contact technical support.	the back or bottom of your computer.
find drivers and downloads. access technical support and product help. check on your order status for new purchases. find solutions and answers to common questions.	the Dell™ Support website at support.dell.com.
locate information for last-minute updates about technical changes to your computer or advanced technical-reference material for technicians or experienced users.	

System Model

Inspiron 1011

This section provides information that you may need when setting up, updating drivers for, and upgrading your computer.



NOTE: Offerings may vary by region. For more information regarding the configuration of your computer, click Start→ Help and Support and select the option to view information about your computer.

Processor	
Туре	Intel® Atom™ N270
	Intel Atom N280
L2 cache	512 KB
External bus frequency	533 MHz and 667 MHz
Memory	
Connectors	one internally- accessible SO-DIMM socket
Capacities	1 GB or 2 GB
Memory type	DDR2-800 (Runs @ DDR2-533 MHz)

Memory		Internal Storage	
Memory	1 GB or 2 GB	Туре	Capacity
configurations possible		2.5" HDD SATA	120 GB/160 GB/250 GB @ 5400 rpm
Computer Information		2.5" SSD	8 GB or 16 GB
System chipset	Intel 945GSE UMA	(Solid-state drive)MLC	
Data bus width	64 bits		
DRAM bus width	single channel	Communications	
2.0.000	64-bit buses	Modem (optional)	External V.92 56K USB
Processor address	32 bits		Modem
bus width		Modem interface	Universal Serial Bus
Flash EEPROM	1 MB		(USB)
PCI Bus	32 bits	Network adapter	10/100 Ethernet LAN on system board

Communications		Audio	
Wireless	internal WLAN (half-size	Audio type	2 channel High Definition Audio
	Mini-Card) with WiFi bgn, WWAN,	Audio controller	Realtek ALC272
	Bluetooth® wireless technology	Stereo conversion	24-bit (analog-to-digital and digital-to-analog)
Video	Internal interface	Intel High Definition	
Video controller	Intel 945GSE UMA		Audio
Video memory	8 MB system memory (shared)	External interface	microphone-in connector, stereo headphones/speakers
LCD interface LVDS		connector, digital MIC with camera module	
		Speaker	two 1.0 watt speakers

Audio		Ports and Connec	tors
Internal speaker amplifier	1.0 watt per channel	USB	two 4-pin USB 2.0-compliant connectors
Volume controls	me controls software program controlled		one 4-pin power USB 2.0-compliant connector
Ports and Connecto	ors	Video	15-hole connector
Audio one microphone connector, one stereo		Display	
	headphone/speaker connector, digital MIC with camera module	Type (TrueLife)	10.1 inch WSVGA
		Dimensions:	
slot and one half size Mini-Card slot, the ha size slot supports dua interface and the full	one full size Mini-Card	Height	222.72 mm (8.76 inches)
	Mini-Card slot, the half size slot supports dual	Width	125.28 mm (4.93 inches)
		Diagonal	255.52 mm (10.06 inches)
	size slot supports USB	Maximum resolution	1024 x 600
Network adapter	RJ45 port	Refresh rate	60 Hz

Display		Camera	
Operating angle	0° (closed) to 135°	Pixel	1.3 megapixel
Luminance	180 min. 200 typ. cd/m²	Video resolution	320 x 240 ~1280 x 1024 (640 x 480 at 30 fps)
Viewing Angles:	(5 point avg)	Diagonal viewing angle	66°
Horizontal	±40° (CR ≥ 10) typ. WSVGA AG	Touch Pad	
Vertical	+10° - +30° (CR ≥ 10) typ. WSVGA	X/Y position resolution (graphics table mode)	240 cpi
Pixel pitch	0.2175 x 0.2175 mm	Size:	
Controls	brightness can be controlled through keyboard shortcuts (see	Width	78.5 mm (3.09 inches) sensor-active area
	Dell Technology Guide for more information)	Height	38 mm (1.49 inches) rectangle

Battery		Battery	
Туре	3-cell/6-cell lithium ion	Voltage	11.1 VDC (3/6-cell)
Depth	23.1 mm (0.91 inches) (3-cell)	Charge time (approx	imate):
	45.62 mm (1.80 inches)	Computer off	3.0 hours (3-cell)
	(6-cell)		4.0 hours (6-cell)
Height	39.04 mm (1.54 inches)	Operating	0° to 35°C (32° to 95°F)
	(3-cell)	Storage	–40° to 65°C
	45.7 mm (1.80 inches)	· ·	(-40° to 149°F)
	(6-cell)	Coin-cell battery	CR-2032
Width	204.14 mm (8.04 inches) (3-cell)		
		Physical	
	214.0 mm (8.42 inches) (6-cell)	Height	26.8 mm to 28.3 mm (1.06 to 1.11 inches)
Weight	0.165 kg (0.36 lb)	Width	261 mm (10.27 inches)
	(3-cell) 0.350 kg (0.77 lb) (6-cell)	Depth	182 mm (7.16 inches)

Physical		AC Adapter	
Weight (with 3-cell	Configurable to	Width	34.0 mm (1.34 inches)
battery):	less than	Depth	85.0 mm (3.35 inches)
AC Adapter	1.35 kg (2.98 lb)	Weight (with cables)	0.19 kg (0.42 lb)
Input voltage	100–240 VAC	30 W PI	
		Height	62.0 mm (2.44 inches)
Input current (maximum)	0.8 A	Width	38.9 mm (1.53 inches)
Input frequency	50–60 Hz	Depth	78.0 mm (3.07 inches)
Output power	30 W	Weight (with cables)	0.185 kg (0.41 lb)
Output current	1.58 A (continuous)	30 W Delta	
Rated output voltage	19.0 VDC	Height	59.2 mm (2.33 inches)
Dimensions:		Width	34.0 mm (1.34 inches)
30 W APD		Depth	85.0 mm (3.35 inches)
Height	63.2 mm (2.50 inches)	Weight (with cables)	0.205 kg (0.45 lb)

Computer Environment

Temperature range:

Operating 0° to 35°C

(32° to 95°F)

Non-Operating -40° to 65°C

(-40° to 149°F)

Relative humidity (maximum):

Operating 10% to 90%

(noncondensing)

Non-Operating 5% to 90%

(noncondensing)

Maximum vibration (using a random-vibration spectrum that simulates user environment):

Operating 0.66 GRMS

Non-Operating 1.3 GRMS

Computer Environment

Maximum shock (for operating — measured with Dell Diagnostics running on the hard drive and a 2-ms half-sine pulse; for non-operating — measured with hard

drive in head-parked position and a 2-ms half-sine pulse):

Operating

110 G

Non-Operating

160 G

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